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LIST OF CAUSES set down for trial at an Adjourned Court to be held in Ebensburg, commencing on Monday, February 10th, 1873:

Gates	vs. Wolf & Weishons.
Flynn Patterson et al.	vs. Krise et al.
Rodelheim & Affelder	vs. Platt.
Milliken	vs. Cowen et al.
Bowers	vs. Harter.
Hanks	vs. McAleer.
Jones	vs. Powell.
M'Canee	vs. M'Mullin.
Commonwealth	vs. Debecks.
Emerson	vs. Fronheiser.
Fronheiser	vs. Emerson.
Krise	vs. Neason.
Sprout & Fry	vs. Wagner.
Krise	vs. Hips & Lloyd.
Smith	vs. Wilson.
Tierney & Null	vs. Relch.
Devlin	vs. Doyle.
Spencer, McKay & Co.	vs. Doyle.
Tierney & Null	vs. Maloney.

J. K. HITE, Prothonotary.

Prothonotary's Office, Ebensburg, Jan. 2, 1873.

Executor's Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that Letters Testamentary on the estate of Geo. Weakland, late of Carrolltown, Cambria county, deceased, have been granted by the Register to the undersigned. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them properly authenticated for settlement.

JOHN BUCK,
AUG. WALTERS, } Executors.

Carrolltown, Jan. 10, 1873.-6t.

Estate Notice.

THE undersigned, Executor of the last will and testament of M. M. ADAMS, late of Cresson, Cambria co., dec'd, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate that payment must be made without delay, and those having claims against the same are requested to present them duly authenticated for settlement.

JNO. E. SCANLAN, Executor.

Ebensburg, Dec. 20, 1872.-6t.

NOTICE.

HAVING disposed of my interest in the EBENSBURG CIGAR MANUFACTORY to J. ALEX. MOORE, and having transferred to him all notes and accounts due me, all persons indebted will please make payment to him.

SIMON SULTZBACH.

Ebensburg, Jan. 10, 1873. [17-3t.]

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A. D. CRISTE, Secretary. [jan.17.-3t.]

"To See Ourselves as Others See Us."

BY FRANK CLIVE.

Bill Baker owned a fighting dog—
A brindle, coarse-haired brute—
Whose chief delight was to engage
In a canine dispute;
An ill-conditioned, vicious, cross,
Stub-tailed, hair-lipped, crop-eared
And red-eyed canine nuisance,
By the neighboring canines feared.

Bill's dog came down the street on a
Diagonal dog-trot,
A looking for some other dog
For whom to make it hot;
When, on a scrubby looking brute,
His vision chanced to fall,
Staring from out a looking-glass
That leaned against a wall.

Bill's dog surveyed that strange canine
With sinister regard,
And doubted if he'd ever seen
A dog look quite so hard.
The more he gazed, the less respect
He felt within him stir
For that demoralized, cross-grained
And hang-dog looking cur.

That stranger dog returned Bill's dog's
Insulting stare, in kind,
Which tended to still more disturb
Bill's canine's piece of mind;
With every bristling hair along
His back, he fiercely frowned,
And curled his tail until it raised
His hind feet from the ground.

And showed his teeth and cocked his ears
And otherwise behaved
Impatiently, as dogs do
Whose instincts are depraved;
But all his hostile signs were met
By signs as hostile, quite,
And Bill's dog felt himself compelled
To slink away, or fight.

He flew into that looking-glass
With all his might and main—
Filled with chagrin and broken glass,
He soon flew out again.
Reflection showed Bill's dog that he
Had got into a scrimmage
Through indignation at the sight
Of his own odious image.

The knowledge of his aspect quite
Destroyed his self-esteem;
For the hideous reality
Surpassed his wildest dream.
Life lost, at once, all charm for him,
So, mournfully, he steered
Into a neighboring sausage-shop,
And never re-appeared.

The moral of this doggerel
Is obvious, I trust;
(For there is a moral lesson in
Bill Baker's dog's disgust:)
If some men knew how they appear
To others, they would hide
Themselves within a sausage-shop—
That is, they'd suicide.

A PLEASANT STORY.

It was a cottage. Don't tell me that I don't know. Haven't I been there to gather roses and feast on strawberries? No, it wasn't a cottage ornee—there was nothing Frenchified about it. It was purely American, and harmonized sweetly with the delightful scenery. No, it hadn't a flat roof, nor a portico—nothing at all of the kind. But then it had rose vines running all over the windows, and whole colonies of wrens that made their nests and sang beneath its eaves. To the right was a field of clover, red with blossoms, on the left an orchard whence winds scattered a shower of bloom. In front was a green lawn, shaded with some massive walnut trees, and to the rear opened a long grass lane through which the cows walked every morning to their pasture beyond, and returned every night to be milked.

I know well enough to whom this cottage belonged. It was built by the hand of him who owned it and lived in it, and I had always admitted his excellent taste in blending the useful with the beautiful, though I had never seen him—only visits having been to his wife and during his absence. I had learned of him, though—heard enough to make me intensely curious to see him; for not a female tongue in the neighborhood approved his wife's choice.

"What is the matter with him—is he immoral?" I asked.

"Not that I know of," was the rejoinder. "But to tell the truth, Dolly, he is insufferably ugly—his face is all scarred and cicatrized, I should think by fire, and you know it always made me nervous to look at anything of that kind."

"Poor man! Perhaps he got burned in rescuing some child or feeble woman from the flames," I said.

"Don't know; never heard; never made inquiries; you know they only came to live in this neighborhood last summer, and I have never had the courage to ask what disfigured him, but I wish that you would."

"I am considerably acquainted with Mrs. Winslow," I replied; "I thought of calling upon her this morning; perhaps she will tell the story without being asked."

"Do, that's a dear, good Dolly."

And I did.

The whole atmosphere seemed redolent with music and fragrance. I couldn't tell why all the birds had taken it into their heads to sing, warble and build their nests there, and I didn't know why it was that the roses, buttercups, violets and daisies should prefer that place to any other. But they seemed to prefer it, judging from the great profusion in which they grew.

The whole aspect was delightfully rural and picturesque, and all over lingered an influence of quietude and repose.

A narrow foot-path, crooked as footpaths usually are, wound along through the lawn, beneath the shadows of giant walnuts, and by this I approached, entered the little gate, and ascended the graveled walk, bordered by beds of flowers, to the door.

It was open, and not pausing to rap, I went in.

A serene and peaceful hush rested within. The balmy wind nestled in the wreaths of snowy drapery hanging at the window, where great white and red roses bowed their graceful heads, and the warm, rich summer light came in and lay in bright bars of radiance upon the floor.

A cradle was there, and it required no conjuring to tell that it had an inmate—a self-dignified, thoughtful, imperturable little baby, whose quiet calmness I could not understand. It was wide awake, and its great blue eyes were staring with infant persistence at something—I could not tell what; then they turned upon me and I returned the gaze. But it made no difference; the baby had not a foul or evil tho't to hide; it was not conscious of a sin in word or deed; hence there came no blush to that delicately rounded cheek, no falling to that calm, quiet eye, limpid as a lake in summer, serene as the heavens in June.

There was a rustle and a flutter of muslin, the sound of a light, springy step, the glimpse of a fairy form, and Mrs. Winslow stood before me.

She was not very beautiful, but sparkling and vivacious, with a glow of health on her cheek, and with the light of health in her eye.

The baby had roused now, to be sure—no more of its quiet and calmness—no more of its thoughtfulness and serenity. Its little form fairly fluttered with pleasure. It laughed and clapped its dimpled hands.

"You've come to stay all day with me, haven't you? And the baby had such good company while mamma was gone, hadn't it?" she said, in a light, chirrupy way, that sent off the little fellow with renewed delight.

Her invitation had only seconded my design to remove my bonnet and mantilla, and while she sat down on the rocker and took the baby, we prepared to enjoy the day and each other's society.

I can't tell you what we talked about. No, it was not of balls, nor operas, nor lions, nor sights. No, not a neighbor's character was dissected. No, the infirmities of the clergyman were not shown up. No, not a morsel of private scandal was cut and carved. But the time flew swiftly and pleasantly after dinner, and when the great round sun was sinking behind the trees that burned and glowed in the rich, warm light, she came to where I was sitting, and without a word, laid a portrait upon my lap. It was that of a noble looking man, with expressive and faultless features.

"Is that your husband?" I asked.

"My husband as he was," she answered, heaving a little sigh. "You have seen him?"

I replied in the negative.

"You will remain with me this evening?"

I replied that I should be happy to form his acquaintance, and again looked at his portrait.

"He doesn't look like that now," she answered, wiping away a tear, "yet he says he shall ever have cause to bless the fire by which he lost his good looks, but which won him what he esteemed a thousand times more valuable."

"What was it?" I asked, with unaccountable dullness of apprehension.

She pointed archly, with a smile, to her wedding ring.

"Do tell me the story—I should be delighted to hear it."

Again she smiled, saying:

"I do not know that you will consider it very interesting; however, several reasons conspire to make me wish that you should know all, and since you have never heard it, perhaps I may as well tell it to you."

"Certainly, certainly."

"You see, when Mr. Winslow first began his attentions to me, I wasn't at all pleased. He was handsome, I knew, but I had set my mind, very foolishly, upon having a rich husband, and one that could keep me above the necessities of work. So I slighted and repulsed him on all occasions, treating him not merely with indifference, but with actual loathing and scorn. Such treatment, one might have supposed, would have quickly obliterated his passion; on the contrary, however, it only seemed to increase it.

"About this time I formed the acquaintance of a city gentlemen, whom rumor reported immensely rich, and whose intense selfishness was veiled beneath a manner of the utmost suavity. His attentions to me were marked, and not to be mistaken—and though he had not spoken of love, he looked and acted it, and I believed in him.

"It was in October, I think; the atmosphere was dry and cool, with night winds—when, as we were returning from a party, late at night, I was surprised and shocked at the appearance in the distance of a red light that seemed to climb the sky and quench the very stars. A wild and awful presentiment of approaching evil at the same instant crossed my mind.

"'If that should be our house!' I almost shrieked.

"'Nonsense; it is much farther off,' exclaimed Barton.

"But I was not satisfied, and hurried on eagerly, dragging him with me.

"We came nearer, nearer. My fears were all too true. It was indeed our beautiful home, wrapped in one broad sheet of smoke and flame, or with forked tongues lapping the pillars and shooting from the windows, while up at one of the skylights my mother was standing in her night dress.

"With one wild shriek I called the attention of the crowd to her situation.—Hundreds of people by this time had collected, though chiefly, as it seemed, for the gratification of their curiosity. Some were running with ropes and ladders, while many others were shouting and giving orders, which no one seemed inclined to obey.

"'My mother! my mother!' I cried. 'Will no one go to the assistance of my mother?'

"Every moment the flames increased with astonishing rapidity, surging and roaring like a sea of storm. Still my mother stood there surveying the scene with the resignation of a martyr.

"'Barton! Barton!' I shrieked, 'for God's sake help my mother!'

"He stood still.

"I implored and urged him. At length he turned toward me with a frown, and said:

"'I cannot risk my own life to save even your mother.'

"Great heavens! and I have loved this man.

"The thought rushed heavy and seething through my brain.

"There was a shout, an exclamation, an utterance of brave, strong words. Some nervous arm had placed a ladder, and a man was rapidly mounting—on through the dense smoke wreaths—through singeing flames, scorched by the intense heat. The crowd swayed and murmured like a wind-swept wave.

"He appeared again—I saw my mother in his arms—I knew that she was saved. There was a crash of the roof, mingled with exclamations—a great mist swam before my eyes—a noise not unlike that of the roaring flames, was in my ears, and I lost the consciousness of surrounding objects.

"Is it necessary to tell who it was that thus rescued my mother? What emotions I experienced upon hearing how deeply I was indebted to the man I had despised? It is necessary for me to tell you, however, that, then and there he forever lost the good looks which you admire in that portrait. The clothes were burned from his body, and the flesh of his face and neck scarred and scorched till the skin seemed to have the consistency of leather."

"There, my dear, you have told enough—let me finish it," said a manly voice at the door.

I looked up, a man was there, on whose countenance there were deep traces of the fiery element, but he didn't look ugly to me at all. Each scar seemed rather a badge of honor.

His wife presented him, and as he gave me his hand, he said:

"One whom my wife esteems so highly cannot be a stranger to me, and now, since she has told you part—for I have been a sad eavesdropper—let me tell you the rest."

I joyfully assented.

"Then and there," he began, "I heard the flames roaring around me, and felt its fiery breath scorching my cheeks, and seeming to lap up the very springs of life, but was conscious only of a great joy at my heart, for the mother of the prized one was in my arms. I knew when I touched the ground with my charge, by the acclamations that rent the air, but could only think that I had made her happy, and in the bliss of that assurance forgot for the time my sufferings, the world, and everything.

"I lay ill through several weeks—through days and nights that would have been anguished indeed had I not known whose care it was that provided everything essential to my comfort—had not such a sweet face bent over me, such a soft hand ministered to my wants. Never in the proudest day of my health had I experienced such exquisite felicity, and never in my weakness.

"Now, when she sat beside me, when she brought me fruits and flowers, when she put her hand in mine and whispered something that would have repaid sufferings a thousand times more bitter than mine—"

"Oh, William," she cried, blushing to the very roots of her hair, "don't tell how silly and foolish I was."

"It was neither silliness nor folly," I exclaimed, "but the reward of the greatest virtue and heroism. Let him go on; I am deeply interested, and long to know all."

"I have but little more to tell, but as I grew strong and able to walk about, I observed that all the mirrors had been removed.

"Hitherto, in my deep happiness, I had thought little of the scars which I should have known would deface my features.

"This incident reminded me of it, and excited my curiosity. When I requested one to be brought she implored me to desist for the time, but, thank God, it didn't shock me in the least.

"I took her in my arms, and whispered, that since her beautiful face had become mine I saw no cause to regret the loss of one, and wouldn't, for the world, change back again.

"'You have seen and loved me now,' I said, 'whereas, you didn't before—you know all my disfigurement, and with it your manner has charged from scorn to loving kindness; so I have nothing to mourn for.'

"And every day of my life has since convinced me more and more that I told the truth."

CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE BOSTON FIRE.—The following fact, related by an eye witness, is one of the many curious circumstances connected with the great Boston fire: While the conflagration was at its height, and a merchant was busy collecting together a few valuables to carry away in his arms, a rough-looking fellow came up with a large wagon and wished to know if he didn't want to hire him for a load.

The merchant jumped at the offer, and the wagon was by himself and clerks soon heaped with costly goods, and the driver told where to carry them, and to come back, if he could, before the flames reached the store. As he was disappearing in the distance a police officer asked the merchant if he knew the man, when it suddenly occurred to him that he had not even asked his name, and had committed his goods into the hands of an utter stranger. Worse than that, the policeman knew him to be a notorious thief, but could not leave the point he was guarding to pursue him.

The fire progressed, and in half an hour the merchant's store was in ashes.—Next morning he repaired to the place where he had directed the cartman to carry the goods, and, as he feared, they had not been brought there. Two days afterward, however, he was surprised by the carter's appearance, who apologized for not coming before by his inability to find the merchant, and handing him a key, told him his load of goods was stored in the room of a hotel, where he would find them.

The merchant expressed surprise, and mentioned the suggestion of the police officer.

"That's so," said the carter, "but do you remember you were on the jury when —— was tried for stealing?"

"Yes, I do, and from the evidence I believed him innocent."

"Well, sir, that was me, and I was innocent—as innocent as a child of what I was tried for. I understood it was you that was wise enough to see I was, although I had no reputation to back me, and you saved me from an unrighteous verdict and the State prison."

"Indeed."

"Yes! And I've been trying to get even with you for more than two years, and never got a chance till last night, when I borrowed a horse and cart and took your goods out of the fire. There's the key and there's nothing to pay."

So saying, the visitor slammed the door after him, leaving the astonished merchant with a door key in his hand. But upon investigation he found his goods as was promised by the visitor, and now is of the opinion that there is some "honor among thieves."

GOT HIS LICENSE.—A beligerent youth aged eighty-three applied to the county clerk of Evansville, Ind., for a marriage license. The clerk remonstrated, saying that a man of his age should turn his thoughts toward the other world, instead of matrimony. 'I'm of age, ain't I?' asked the old chap. 'Well rather,' answered the clerk. Off came the old man's coat and taking the attitude of a pugilist, he said: 'I kin jist knock fits out of any man who doesn't approve of this here matrimonial venture of mine. I want the license or there'll be somebody licked quicker than thunder!' He got it.

A CONJURER AT HOME.

THE MAGICIAN HERMANN—SOME OF HIS QUEER TRICKS.

A writer in *Belgravia* describes a visit to the magician Hermann, at his private residence near London, and the tricks there played for the entertainment of the guests.

The dinner passed off handsomely; the viands were the best in the season; the wine was of the choicest; conversation brisk, if not brilliant; and good humor threw a radiance over the whole party. It was, in fact, a merry meeting; and there was just the number seated around the table to concentrate the talk and prevent the party from breaking up into knots.—Herr Hermann, who was seated at the head of the table, had Skeptic placed at his right hand. The collocation, which was supposed to be accidental at the time, was designed by the conjurer. He had seen and noticed the incredulity of his guest, and was determined to make a convert of him, or at all events to show off his powers at his expense.

The conversation turning upon prestidigitations and their various feats of legerdemain, Herr Hermann—who, having passed many years in America, and being no stranger to England, spoke English with much fluency—said: "I am well aware that all you savants have an idea how the best of our tricks are accomplished," "I should think so!" from Skeptic. "But I fancy I could even puzzle you!" "O, indeed!" again from Skeptic. "Ah, sir, and even *you*," turning to Skeptic. "By all means try it." "I shall; and after dinner I will show you a few tricks, and will defy any of you to have the remotest notion how they are done." "Bravo!" from all the company exepting Skeptic, who laughed and helped himself to wine, and congratulated himself on being so much cleverer than the conjurer.

The tricks played by Hermann are thus described:

"Presently Herr Hermann rings the bell, and tells the man servant, who answers it, to fetch some cards. The man retired, and came back with two packs of cards, in secured cases, and placed them on the table. 'Take one of these packs,' said our host, addressing himself to Skeptic; 'open the cover, and see if all the cards are right.' 'No preparation?' demanded Skeptic. 'No, I assure you. What I am about to show you now

I COULD DO WITH ANY CARDS.

'Of course,' ejaculated Skeptic, sneeringly, and began to tear the cover from the pack. Skeptic looked at the cards, and we all looked at the conjurer. When Skeptic pronounced the cards 'all right,' Herr Hermann took them in his hands, and, flinging them down on the table with their faces uppermost, said: 'There are eight of you. When I leave the room, and the door is shut on me, let each person draw a card from the pack, return it, and shuffle the cards.' He left the room, bidding us recall him when we were ready. Each man took a card and put it back. Then we all had a shuffle at the pack, excepting Skeptic, who thought he knew all about the trick, and the conjurer was brought back in due time.

"He took the cards in his hand. 'There are eight of you,' he said. 'Each one has drawn a card and replaced it; and the eight cards, if you have well shuffled them, should be dispersed through the pack.—No eye could see into this room when the door was shut; even knowing the cards—were that possible—would leave the seeming impossibility of bringing the eight cards together; you will acknowledge that. Behold what art can do!' He gave the cards a sort of flourish, and placing the pack on his left palm, threw from the top the eight cards which we had drawn.—He then turned to Skeptic, and with a good-humored smile inquired whether he had any idea how the trick was done.—Our 'mil admirati' friend laughed, and said nothing; but shortly afterward he was heard to observe, 'Curious, ain't it?' This trick gave rise to a good deal of talk, and some disputation; but there were no two opinions about it; it was allowed by all to be the most complete and inexplicable feat of legerdemain ever witnessed.

"Trick No. 2 was even more astonishing and incomprehensible. 'You know,' said Herr Hermann, addressing the whole party, after some discussion had gone on about the sleight-of-hand performances, 'I work by wit, and not witchcraft.. 'For wit read trick,' interposed Skeptic. 'But now,' continued the conjurer, not heeding the interruption, 'supposing that I were to interpret your thoughts—to know what was passing through your mind?' 'That indeed would be a trick above natural magic,' I exclaimed. Skeptic filled his glass and winked to his neighbor, as if he would say, 'I know all about it.' 'We shall see,' said Herr Hermann. 'Now, each of you two gentlemen,' he went on, speaking to his right-hand guests, 'think of a card; I do not ask you to touch one,' and taking up the pack, he threw the cards front upwards on the table. The choice was quickly made.

MR. HERMANN RECOVERED THE CARDS,

shuffled them, and spread them out as before. 'The card,' he said, 'one of you thought of is there; the card the other thought of is absent.' The gentlemen searched. One of the cards selected was not to be seen—the other was found. 'So far, so good,' exclaimed Herr Hermann, 'but the trick is only half done.' The conjurer took the cards again, shuffled them as before, and exposed them on the table. 'Now,' he cried, the illusion is reversed. The missing card reappears, and the card thought of that was present is not to be found. Search!' And such was the case. The cards had come and gone at the bidding of the wonderful magician, who seemed to influence a mental rather than a physical exercise over them. Wonder was expressed in every countenance, and Skeptic, annoyed because he was foiled, drank off an additional bumper to qualify him for elucidation.

"A moment's consideration of the trick must satisfy anybody of its extreme cleverness and incomprehensibility. The only possible solution that offers itself is the supposition that the conjurer, by some process of his own, was enabled to follow the eyes of the gentlemen in their direction to the cards spread on the table, and to mark those they made use of. Knowing the cards, of course an expert practitioner would find no difficulty in manipulating them as he pleased; the getting rid of a card and returning it to the deck, contrived with whatever rapidity, is no extraordinary feat of legerdemain. Ascertaining by a certainty the two cards upon which two persons have thrown a glance for the shortest possible space of time is, it must be allowed, one of the most remarkable and puzzling achievements of the conjurer's art, and may be called its crowning feat. I do not assert that it was by this process Herr Hermann ascertained the cards his two guests thought of, but if not thus I can conceive no other method by which he made them known to him, unless, indeed, it were veritable witchcraft.

"Some ten or fifteen minutes had passed, and the conversation was about to lapse into generalities, when our host rose from his seat, and, taking from the table the cards, went to the other end of the room. 'I want to ask your opinion of a trick which, no doubt, you have often seen—your opinion as to how I do it. Will you oblige me by taking a card?' 'May I be allowed to suggest the unopened pack of cards?' inquired friend Skeptic, looking around him with an air of wisdom. 'Oh, certainly,' answered Herr Hermann, 'open the untouched pack yourself, and then give it to me.' Skeptic removed the envelope from the new pack and scrutinized the cards carefully. The eyes of the company were now fixed on the pair, and no one spoke.

SKEPTIC HAVING SATISFIED HIMSELF

that the cards had undergone no previous preparation, handed them to the conjurer. 'Take a card,' said the latter. It was done. 'Now take the pack in your own hands, put the card back and shuffle.'—Skeptic did as he was told, and smiled as he shuffled the cards in a variety of ways. 'It would be difficult, would it not,' asked Herr Hermann, 'to tell you the card you drew?' 'Rather!' ejaculated Skeptic.—'What if I were to do more, and make you draw again the same card?' 'I should like to lay £10 to a half-crown on that.'—'Keep your money, my friend; I don't want to rob you; give me the cards.' He took the cards from Skeptic, and, shuffling them, said: 'This time when you draw the card, do not let anybody see it, nor say what it is until I ask you. I must do my tricks after my own fashion. Draw!'

"He drew. 'Now place the card upon the table back upward, and cover it with your hand, holding it tightly.' Skeptic did as he was desired. 'Now, sir, is not that card the one which you drew first?' 'Certainly not,' exclaimed Skeptic, loudly and triumphantly. 'Indeed!' cried Herr Hermann, 'there must be some mistake.' 'Of course there is,' rejoined the guest, 'but it is your mistake,' and he laughed with much glee. 'Are you sure?' 'Positive.' 'Name the cards.' 'I drew the queen of spades first, and this under my hand is the nine of diamonds.' 'Let me look at it.' Skeptic took away his hand, turned the card and beheld—the queen of spades. An explosion of laughter at Skeptic's expense was followed by a volley of cheers for this wonderfully clever feat of sleight-of-hand, if indeed it was such, for I was utterly at a loss at the time—and am now, when I think of of it—to account for the manner in which it was accomplished.

"Many other tricks were exhibited in the course of the evening, but those related were decidedly the newest and best, although some of the others would have made a common conjurer's fortune. Several times Herr Hermann held out a pack of cards and named beforehand the card any one of us would draw, in spite of every effort on our part to foil him, and this without failing in any one instance. Of course, 'passing a card' is one of the commonest tricks in card-juggelry; but to 'pass a card' and name it beforehand, and 'pass' it on a company so 'cunning of fence' and so wary as ours, was a very different matter.

"Better than 'passing the card' with such magical dexterity, which we know is achieved with rapidity and neatness of fingering, was the trick with the pear, which, indeed, was as inconceivable as anything shown that evening. One of the party was asked by the conjurer to take a pear from the table and mark it, then to cut a slice from it, to eat the slice, and hand the pair to Herr Hermann. This was done and the pair given to the conjurer, who, taking it in his hand, threw it up toward the ceiling, caught it as it fell, and returned it sound and whole to the gentleman, who declared it was the same pear he had marked, and from which he had cut the slice."

A POWERFUL ARGUMENT.—A few days ago, a tall, rough-looking mountaineer entered the Union Railroad ticket office at Denver, and through mistake, purchased a ticket for New York via the Kansas Pacific line, when he wanted to go over the Union Pacific. He did not discover this fact until after the ticket had been paid for, and on asking the agent to change it the latter refused to do so.

"You wont change this ticket then, wont you?"

"No, sir," replied the agent, "you have your ticket and I have the money for it, and if you want a ticket over the other route you will have to buy it."

Very quietly the stranger twisted his ticket into a small roll; very serenely he drew from under his coat-tail a six-shooter about the dimensions of a mountain howitzer; coolly and deliberately he stuck the twisted ticket into the muzzle of that six-shooter, and sticking the ugly looking thing through the little square window of the ticket-office, and almost into the agent's face, and speaking in a tone that left no doubt of his determination, said:

"Stranger, thar's that ticket; take it yourself and change it, or I'll blow it clean through you!"

The ticket was changed immediately, and without any more words from the agent, and the mountaineer walked away, saying, "I jest thought I could induce him to change his mind a leetle."

MEDICAL ITEMS.—An onion diet will cure scrofula.

Fish diet is liable to produce hives.

A draught of cold water will relieve yawning.

Sweet potatoes tend to create liver diseases.

Epizooty in chickens exists only in imagination.

Parsnips is a valuable food in disease of the kidneys.

Castor oil and turpentine is the best remedy for worms.

Dandruff may be removed by washing the head in butter-milk.

Nervous excitement produces irritation and itching of the skin.

Beef eaters are more predisposed to consumption than pork eaters.

Equal parts of Mecca oil and glycerine will cure chapped lips, hands, and remove pimples from the face.

THE CAMBRIA FREEMAN.

EBENSBURG, PA.,

Friday Morning, - January 31, 1873.

Editorial Brevities.

HON. ALEXANDER H. STEPHENS has been unanimously nominated for Representative to Congress from the Eighth district of Georgia. He will accept.

MRS. HUGHES, of Cleveland, O., is the lucky holder of a half interest in the lottery ticket which drew the capital prize, $20,000, at the Harmonic gift concert in Detroit on the 31st inst. Wouldn't you love to be Hugger for life?

A PROPOSITION was seriously made in the Constitutional Convention, on Friday, that the punishment of fraud at elections be "hanging by the neck until dead, without the benefit of clergymen, of Executive clemency, or any other benefit whatever."

HON. GLENNI W. SCHOFIELD'S reason for taking stock in the Credit Mobilier because the company was organized under a Pennsylvania act of incorporation, is, in the estimation of the Harrisburg *Patriot*, quite as logical as that of the Irishman who wanted to enlist in the Twelfth regiment so as to be near to his brother, who belonged to the Thirteenth.

How is this for the "God and morality" party? In Clearfield county there are just five townships which may be depended upon as good for radical majorities under all circumstances, and four of these voted in favor of the granting of licenses at the recent election in that county under the local option law. The other districts, twenty-six in number, are democratic, and twenty-one of them gave decided majorities against licenses to sell liquor.

THE bill for abolishing the franking privilege has at long last been passed, and this long-tolerated abuse will, after the 1st of July, be abated; for all of which let the people be thankful, even though it may, as the Phila. *Evening Herald* facetiously remarks, compel some of their representatives in Congress to have their linen washed and their boots half-soled in Washington instead of sending them, as formerly, to their homes through the mails.

THE lumbermen of Lycoming, Clearfield, and adjacent counties, are beginning to seriously agitate the question as to how long the forests of our State will furnish us with pine lumber, and some of the most prominent give it as their candid opinion that we are fast approaching the time when the great producing counties will be as bare of pine timber as any of the eastern counties of the State. Some of our best judges say that, should the same recklessness among our lumber operators continue for the future as in the past, the next five years will certainly witness that result.

IT is said that there are peculiarities in the indictment against Susan B. Anthony which call for improvement either in the New York statute or the style of women. The indictment charges that Susan B. Anthony "was a person of the female sex, contrary to the form of the statute of the United States of America in such case made and provided, and against the peace of the United States and their dignity.' Lawyers discover new things every day, but the wisest never dreamed they would declare that it is 'contrary to the form of the statute of the United States' to be a woman! We sigh that the law is violated, and the 'dignity' of the United States insulted; 'but what fascinating violations, what delicious insults,' says Quilp."

THE U. S. Senators recently elected are Lewis V. Bogy in place of F. P. Blair, in Missouri; O. P. Morton to succeed himself, in Indiana; Simon Cameron to succeed himself, in Pennsylvania; Timothy O. Howe to succeed himself, in Wisconsin; Roscoe Conkling to succeed himself, in New York; Richard J. Oglesby to succeed Lyman Trumbull, in Illinois; John P. Jones to succeed James W. Nye, in Nevada; Pinchback, elected by the custom-house legislature to succeed John Pool, in North Carolina; Patterson to succeed F. A. Sawyer, in South Carolina.—The political changes are an Administration Republican (Oglesby) in place of a Liberal (Trumbull) in Illinois; and a Democrat (Merrimon) in place of an Administration Republican (Pool) in North Carolina.

THE Pennsylvania Editorial Association met in Harrisburg on Wednesday of last week, a fair proportion of the editorial fraternity being in attendance. The following officers for the current year were elected: President—Dr. Wm. H. Bradley, of Danville; Vice Presidents—Hiram Young, York, Benj. Whitman, Erie, D. J. Godshalk, Bethlehem; Recording Secretary and Assistant—R. S. Menamin, Philadelphia, J. B. Hays, New Brighton; Treasurer—Elwood Greist, Lancaster; Executive Committee—John W. Brown, D. H. Neiman, H. A. McPike, F. H. Braggins, W. H. Grier, C. H. Chamberlin, J. A. Scranton, L. C. Hawley, S. H. Smith and M. A. Foltz. The Association decided upon the coal regions of the Lehigh and Wyoming valleys as the objective points of their next summer excursion and accepted in accordance therewith the kind invitation of the Wilkesville authorities to visit that place. A committee was appointed to memoralize the Constitutional Convention on the subject of the present libel law, considerable discussion was had on the patent outside and advertising agency systems, in which the former especially had no one to do it reverence, and much other business pertaining to the profession received attention. The Democratic Editorial Association met on the same day, but as it was not strictly a business meeting, little was done except to participate in a free, pleasant and very edifying interchange of views on political and other topics.

Ravages of the Discreditable Mobilier.

The *N. Y. Herald*, in an admirably sarcastic and facetious humor, gets off the following:

The terrible and widespread ravages of that extraordinary disease called Credit Mobilier are alarming the whole nation.—The epizootic was as mild as the measles compared to it. It has already carried off many most distinguished victims. It did not come from Canada, like the epizootic, nor from Asia, like the cholera, nor from the West Indies, like the yellow fever. It is believed to have started somewhere in Pennsylvania, and, meeting with a favorable condition of the atmosphere in Washington, District of Columbia, stayed there, and was developed by reason of the defective sanitary arrangements in the political system of the Capital. Great sympathy is felt for Massachusetts, so many of her distinguished citizens having been swept off. The subjoined list of deaths will be read with painful interest by the public. The notices are inserted (contrary to our custom) free of charge:

Ames, Hoax, of Massachusetts.—Died of Credit Mobilier (long and lingering illness) aged 99.

O lofty worth, whose virtues were unknown;
O shining light, whose glamor was unseen;
Whose latest spasm of godlike work has shown
What men were not, but what they might have been.
Thou toldst the truth, tho' hid 'neath many clanks,
O concentrated essence of a Hoax.

All stockholders of the Union Pacific Railroad who received a higher dividend than 70 per cent. are cordially invited to attend the funeral.

Massachusetts papers please copy.

Alley, John B., of Massachusetts.—Died of C. M. not cholera morbus—was discovered with the disease too late for the physic,) aged about a century.

O'er this and wreck let mankind never dally;
Fraud knocked down every ninepin in this Alley.

This is nobody's funeral.

Allison, John B., of Iowa, died of C. M. (an overdose of dividend hastened his departure,) aged 50 years.

Long don't to us, sweet Allison,
The Hoax thou could'st not rally!
If so soon done, why wer't begun,
Thou fragrant son of Alley?

Remains will be embalmed.

Bingham, John, A., of Ohio, died of C. M., (supposed to have caught the fatal infection from Dawes,) aged 62 years.

Mean for him, welkin, he'll wake you no more
With shouts against theft, stuck eye Bingham,
The death bells shall boom how he garnered his store,
And gentle Ben Butler will ring 'em.

Announcement of funeral hereafter.—Ohio papers please copy.

Brooks, Jim, of New York, died of C. M. (protesting to the last that he was well in health, no remedies were administered,) aged 62.

He chattered, chattered as he went
To join the great Salt River;
Hoax might treat or Hoax relent,
But he'd deny forever.
'Mong well-filled "banks" his way he picked,
With watered "Credits" over;
McComb might "dam," McComb convict,
Jim Brooks denied forever.

His funeral will have no political significance.

Colfax, Smiler, of Indiana, died of C. M. (the agonies of this poor victim were intense; to the last he insisted that it was something else besides Credit Mobilier), aged 42.

A beautiful smiler came in our midst,
Too lively and fair to remain;
They stretched him on racks till the soul of Colfax
Flapped up into heaven again.
May the fate of poor Schuyler warn men of a smiler,
Who dividends get on the brain!

Indiana papers please copy.

Dawes, Henry L., of Massachusetts, died of C. M. (he had the reputation of having a powerful constitution, but it was evidently a delusion), aged 57.

Retrencher! Leader! Thou has left us;
Plymouth Rock thy loss will feel;
For a pottage-mess bereft us,
Old Honesty is *agarpield*.

Funeral strictly private.

Garfield, James A., of Ohio, died of C. M. (struggled hard against the dreadful epidemic, but it was of no use. He caved in unexpectedly,) aged only 42.

Here rests his head upon its lap of earth.
A youth to misfortune and misfortune known;
Mobilier frowned upon his humble berth.
And Hoax Ames henceforth marked him for his own.

Will be buried at Congressional Cemetery, Washington, D. C. No cards.

Kelley, William D., of Pennsylvania, died of C. M. (too much iron in the blood, and too little protection of himself made him an easy victim to the fair destroyer,) aged 40.

Weep not "pig iron" public dear,
He is not dead but sleeping here;
His thunder hushed, his eye is dim,
Mobiliers put a head on him.

His remains will be "protected" in a metallic casket. A one-horse funeral announced hereafter.

Patterson, James W., of New Hampshire, died of C. M. (his sufferings drew tears from his friends; he persisted to the end in supposing it was a different complaint,) aged 50 years.

Peaceful be Uriah's slumber,
Heeped he is in burial low;
Thirty shares his coffin cumber,
How it is yourself you know.

Mourning by Senators for thirty days. A granite sarcophagus will enclose the mummy.

Schofield, Glenni W., of Pennsylvania, died of C. M. (passed off quietly,) aged 53.

Hoax Ames, the Ancient Mariner,
Stopped Schofield bland,
He held him with his glittering eye
And with his skinny hand.
Then Schofield did a hellish thing
And it did work him wo,
His ten shares clipped him on the wing
And laid the Quaker low.

Pennsylvania papers please copy. Funeral at an early day. Music by the band: "Down in a Coal Mine."

Wilson, Henry, of Massachusetts, died of C. M. (great hopes were entertained of his recovery), aged 51.

His sinning sore long time he bore,
Like martyr on a rock,
Till bad Hoax Ames of sinful games,
Had eased him of his stock.
His "sole" had ne'er into the void been cast,
Had he "waxed" firm and stuck unto his "last."

Natick (Mass.) papers please copy. Memorial services at Faneuil Hall. No Irish need apply.

Wilson, James F., of Iowa, died of C. M. (astonished everybody; he had always enjoyed such excellent health,) aged 45.

Tears, idle tears! he knew not what they meant,
But they counted them, three dolors for a share;
They blotted out a life we thought well spent—
Ah! was his sweetness nothing but a snare?

Rev. Dr. Newman will conduct the services and preach the panegyric from his campaign notes. Free list entirely suspended.

"ALL THE DECENCY."

What a race set they are to be sure, these canting snivellers of the "God and morality" party. What a charming mingling of the "Praise God Barebone" type of New England Puritanism, and that lovely "sheepherd," the Rev. Stiggins. "It's all wanity," but if there is one less objectionable than another it's "that particular wanity" known as "Credit Mobilier." We can almost hear these lovely cusses chant, after the fashion of the saintly Stiggins, as with unctious groans and upturned eyeballs he passes his tumbler behind his back for a replenishing with his favorite "wanity" of "hot pineapple rum and water." The case is before the country, and all the asseveration in the world, all the falling back upon their immaculate characters cannot whitewash this batch of Congressional saints. The bold, frank Kelley, honest, bluff old Glenni Schofield, the amiable Colfax, "Rock of Ages" Wilson, our two Vice Presidents—present and prospective—Puritanical Patterson, and a host of lesser Radical lights, have been drawn in as by a net in this investigation, and now lie high and dry, exposed to public gaze, squirming and wriggling, pushing behind each other, trying to hide from the light, which is intolerable to them. Well may we ask if this is the stuff of which your leaders, your "noblest and greatest, are made. Oh, "God and morality party," what manner of men can we expect in your rank and file? Their share of "all the decency and nearly all the intelligence" of the country, which is absorbed by the Republican party, must be small indeed.

GRANT'S LOUISIANA SENATOR.—An old colored lady who remembers "Peter Pinchback" when he flourished in Dayton, Ohio, many years ago, says he was a wonderful boy. He was as bright as a new dollar (silver just from the mint), and was remarkable for reading the papers, and for his fondness for dogs and cats. "As to cards," she says, "he could jes' do what he pleased with 'em; could turn a jack anywhere from the deck, and could take half a dozen from the pack if he needed 'em."

As to dogs, the old lady says: "Why, any dog would follow Pete. The best dog in the world was a sure thing for him, if he could only get his hand on it. Jim Davis had a dog he sot a great store by, and he always said 'If anybody kin steal that dog he's welcome to him. Well, Pete Pinchback took a notion to Jim Davis's hound, and one nice mornin' Jim hadn't no dog."

As to papers, our sable informant states that "Pete used to like to read about the races and the debates in Congress—they were all the same to Pete. Any thing he could get about them excitable things he'd read; and then he'd tell what he was goin' to do some of these days. Pete allers said he know'd the time would come when colored folks would have rights same as white folks; but I never believed it.—Smart as Pete was in some things, some people allers said they believed he was a little touched—he talked so wild about what he'd do some day; said he'd be as high in the world as anybody."

And that reminded the old lady "what Jim Davis said once, when Pete was going on about gettin' as high as any of 'em.—'Yes,' says Jim, 'you'll get higher than you want to some of those days, when there's hanging going on.'"

The old lady said Pinchback had several names—"he was powerful fond of names—but he went by the name of Pete for common."

The *Journal* reporter was unable to learn whence Pinchback came or whither he went. He seems to have made, while sojourning here, an impression that he was smart, and that if there was an elevation for his race anywhere he would come to the top of it. Our informant says she's not certain, but she thinks Pinchback went from Dayton to Cincinnati. She had never heard a word about him until he came to the surface in Louisiana; for she asserts, "I'm sure it's the same feller—it's just his style."—*Dayton Journal.*

THE PRESIDENT'S NEW CLOTHES.—*Quandary of a Paterson Tailor—Is the Suit Ordered by Grant to be a Present?*—As the story goes, the ladies of a Catholic church out West recently held a fair, and among the things put up to be disposed of by vote was a handsome gold pen and holder, a beautiful thing, made in the shape of a feather. Upon counting the vote, it was found it was awarded to President Grant. The pastor of the church came East with the intention of taking it to Washington, and presenting it to the President.

On his way he stopped at Paterson to see a brother, who is a merchant tailor in this city, and while here he received summons to immediately return home for important reasons. So he started back to the West, first delegating his Paterson brother, the merchant tailor, to take the present on to Washington. This was done, and the Paterson tailor made the present with as appropriate a little speech as could be desired. The President's heart was opened (for he was greatly pleased with the beautiful little present), and he engaged in conversation with the Paterson man, during which a little pair of pocket scissors was detected by the great gift-taker to project from the Patersonian's vest pocket. This led to an explanation by the Paterson man that he was a tailor. The President, who was in a very good humor, at once took the hint, and ordered a new suit of clothes on the spot.

As the story goes, the Paterson tailor is now engaged in making for President Grant the most elaborate suit of clothes ever made in this city. But now that the suit is most done, the said tailor has became greatly perplexed over the question suggested by somebody that Grant expects the clothes are to be a present, when the former understood all along, of course, that they were to be paid for. The tailor in question is one of the best in the city, and if Grant gets the clothes he may depend upon having as fine a suit as he ever wore in his life.—*Paterson Guardian.*

WE have often read about the buying and selling of appointments, but until we saw the announcement in the Harrisburg *Patriot* that J. Brisben Boyd had been reappointed by the court prison inspector for three *years*, we had no idea that so much office could be procured for so small a consideration. "By their fruits," etc. The *Patriot* no doubt intended to say "three years," but we can't help that.

—Minnesota papers give many terrible incidents connected with the late storms. One party, engaged in clearing the railroad track, eight miles below St. Peter, discovered, nearly buried in the snow, a double team of horses and a sleigh, in which were seated two men, wrapped in robes and inclosed in buffalo overcoats, and frozen stiff. The men sat perfectly upright, and were within 200 yards of the station building.

IT was rumored a few days ago that Gen. Frank Blair, of Missouri, had shot President Grant. The story has since been positively contradicted, and yet it is possible, if not probable, that the President really was shot—in the neck. If so, we don't presume to say that Blair did it.

The Criminals in Congress.

If anything could be more dismal and more disgusting, says the *World*, than the exposures which have been made before the Poland Committee it would be the manner in which those exposures have come to be made. The charge first brought against the holders of Credit Mobilier stock was simply that they were holders of it, and that they received it, in effect, gratuitously; in fact, at a price very much below its real value. It was open to them to avow their action and defend it. They preferred to deny the whole story in such a sweeping way as left no doubt, and was meant to leave no doubt, in the mind of any man who took their word, that the whole story was a malicious fabrication. When Congress met, the one man of them whose hands are clean demanded an investigation. The others of them demanded and obtained that it should be a secret investigation. They showed even then, and after their positive and comprehensive denials, that they had something to conceal. In spite of them the investigation was made open. And not till then was it seen how utterly incapable these men were of being faithful not only to any obligation of public duty but to the least obligation of personal honor.

Colfax, the Vice President of the United States, first denied unequivocally, then denied equivocally, then confessed and scolded, then quibbled, and now finally, hunted out of his last refuge of untruth, lies in a helpless huddle, an object of pity even to those to whom he is most an object of contempt.

Allison, ex-Representative and Senator-elect, dallied boldly, then hedged, and was finally confuted. So Garfield, so Patterson, and so Kelley.

When a man under three different degrees of pressure tells three stories, graduated according to the strength of the evidence against him, what conclusion can any reasonable man come to but that he is a liar, and if he gives his stories the sanction of an oath, a perjurer as well? What can an honest man do but purge himself of the association of such a man, or bring his own honesty under dark and deserved suspicion? The investigation is not over yet, and it remains to be seen what course Congress will take. But it is already evident that there are other men in public life entirely content to be associated with men who take at half price valuable stock, the value of which their votes can enhance or lessen, and then lie or shuffle to conceal their ownership. We may know this from the course of the Administration newspaper in New York. The *Times* has by turns suppressed and perverted the testimony in the case, so that the readers of the *Times* who are readers of no other newspaper may possibly accept its explanation. That explanation is simply that Oakes Ames is a liar. And the suit of McComb against Oakes Ames, which has made Oakes Ames an unwilling witness in this case—that must be a rascality of Oakes Ames also. And the old letters which Oakes Ames has put in evidence, and the books of the Credit Mobilier, and the check-book of the Sergeant-at-Arms, and the hundred other circumstances which corroborate the testimony of Oakes Ames—all these must be also, to make good the explanation of the *Times*, cunningly devised by Oakes Ames to blacken the characters of Congressmen whose characters he has made every effort to spare. The *Times* may naturally think itself safer than any other newspaper would be in assuming all its own readers to be fat-witted idiots. But we make a higher estimate of the intelligence even of the readers of the *Times*.

This is neither here nor there, except to show that the crime which these Congressmen have committed, under the tangible temptation of money, they can find an apologist for who has not the temptation of immediate dividends before his eyes, but is moved by a servility which stops at no drudgery, or the chance, never so remote, of picking up the crumbs, never so few, which fall from his master's table. It is not a nice business for a newspaper, and we are glad to see that the *Times* has the monopoly of it. These Congressmen may judge the pass they are reduced to in public contempt when this is the only advocate they can command. Will they be warned in time, or will they wait until a warning is given them which they cannot disregard? Will they resign, or will they force their fellows to vindicate, we will not say the dignity of Congress, but the decency of Congressmen, by expelling them?

A BLACK SNOW STORM IN IOWA.—The Dubuque *Telegraph* says: One of the most singular phenomenons which ever occurred in the State of Iowa took place on Wednesday last. On Tuesday evening the terrible storm began, and it continued to increase in fury till Wednesday morning, when the limit of its vast strength was made manifest. It was noticed when the wind first began to blow, the surface of the snow was white as usual, while on Thursday morning, when people awoke, they found the surface covered with black earth.

At first it was supposed that this was only the soot which had been blown out of the chimneys, but, when it was ascertained that the blackness extended all over the State, it was found that the supposition was incorrect. The only manner by which we can account for this singular circumstance is as follows: When the wind was blowing with such uncommon rapidity and force, it probably took the snow from the tops of all hills as well as as other high points in the State.

The loose earth was not proof against its strength, and so it was taken up, carried for miles and miles, and finally let down to give to the "beautiful snow" a different coloring. Whether this theory is correct or not, certain it is that the phenomenon exists. This black snow is suggestive of the blood-red snow which falls in certain portions of the Arctic regions.

LOCAL OPTION.—A Harrisburg correspondent of the Philadelphia *Press* says: There is a lobby now forming to defeat the local option law passed last session. It is evident that the effect of local option will be at once to depreciate the value of an immense amount of real estate, and that large sums of money now invested in stock and fixtures in breweries, distilleries, etc., will be lost, because there is no longer any doubt that local option will be adopted in nearly, if not all, the counties of the State, if it is not defeated before the 12th of March. This makes the stake a tremendous one, and it would be cheap if its defeat cost one hundred thousand dollars.—The liquor men of Pittsburg and Philadelphia are reported as being at work to defeat the law, and among them are men of respectability and energy, who will, of course, do what they can to save their business from being utterly wrecked. In the meantime there is a deep and determined feeling among the people to maintain the law in force, so that when the test of repeal is made in the Legislature, legislators who vote for it must make up their minds to confront an angry constituency.

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Two Nights in a Snow Drift.

A DEAF HUSBAND AND A RAVING WIFE.

The Minneapolis (Minn.) *Times*, of January 16, says: Among the many sad incidents we have been called upon to chronicle during the last few days, with regard to the terrible results of the late storm, none perhaps will excite more sorrow and sympathy than the story of Mrs. Mary Townsend, a young married lady who recently came with her husband from Central New York to take up their abode in our State. Just after the holidays the young couple left this city for a visit to the uncle of the bride, a gentleman named Murray, who resides some five or six miles from Farmington. A week ago last Monday Mr. Townsend and his wife had occasion to visit Farmington, and for this purpose a team attached to a light cutter was furnished them by Mr. Murray. They started off, saying, however, that they might not return until the next day. They did not attempt to return that night, but early on Tuesday morning they were on their way back. It was very cold, and the horses were urged on, but suddenly the wind arose, fine particles of snow began to fall, and before long the great storm burst upon them in all its terrible fury. For a while the strong animals battled against the elements, but becoming exhausted at last, it was found impossible to urge them onward.

In the meantime, the violence of the storm increased. Great drifts were forming around the sleigh, and it was impossible to distinguish objects scarcely a rod distant. It was a terrible dilemma to be placed in, and the hearts of both occupants of the sleigh beat fast with fear and anxiety. As hours passed on with no abatement of the angry storm, the perils of their situation began to increase, and while each endeavored to cheer the other, both felt that nothing but a mysterious interposition of Providence could save them from the terrible fate of freezing to death. At last night came, but still the fierce winds blowed over and about them, the drifts grew larger and the temperature colder. Wrapped in their robes and blankets, they huddled together at the bottom of the sleigh, and passed the night in praying for deliverance from that awful situation.

As soon as daylight appeared Mr. Townsend signified his intention of making an attempt to find assistance if possible. His wife made tearful remonstrances, fearing that he would meet with no success and perhaps perish with the cold. He obtained her as best he could, however, and packing the robes still closer around her, took one of the horses and mounting him, drove away.

All day the lonely wife waited, her heart beating faster with fear as the tedious hours wore on, and tears and prayers falling together. Night came again, but it did not bring her husband nor relief.—Buried in the folds of blankets and buffaloes, she could hear the wailing of the wild winds as they swept over the lone prairie all through the dismal hours. Exhausted, weary and benumbed, she at last fell asleep, in which condition she was found about 10 o'clock on the morning of Thursday, the 9th inst., by a party who were in search of the missing ones.

She was, after considerable exertion, aroused and finding that her exhaustion was caused by fatigue and hunger, and that she was not frost-bitten, the neighbors carried her to the residence of her uncle, only a half mile distant. Here she was provided with everything needed for her comfort, but when upon the next day the lady of her husband was brought home frozen and stiff and stark, her grief gave way to the wild ravings of insanity. Before this she had told her uncle all that had happened up to the time of her falling asleep. As soon as possible physicians were sent for, but at last accounts Mrs. Townsend was failing rapidly, with no signs of rational improvement.

THE Executive Committee of the Centennial Commission had an interview with Governor Hartranft, at the State Capital yesterday. Speeches were made by Mr. Morrell, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Corliss, Mr. Wood and Eli K. Price, of this city, all of whom urged the necessity of State aid to the enterprise within the next thirty days, so that the President of the United States could make proclamation to the world that the Exposition and Celebration would be held. Mr. Price also maintained that the stock of the Celebration would be a profitable investment, and enforced this position in a forcible and convincing manner. The Governor responded to the sentiments expressed in a hearty, earnest manner, declared he was fully convinced of the necessity of speedy action, and announced he would urge the appropriation by all the means in his power. The meeting was of a most encouraging character, and we have no doubt the Legislature will make the asked for appropriation without unnecessary delay. This news should produce a good effect upon the meeting to be held to-day, and send up the subscription to a million at once.—*Age*, 29th.

LOCAL OPTION IN BRADFORD.—Bradford is the second county in the State that has voted on the question of license or no license under the option law. The election was held on the 17th instant, and, as in Clearfield, the majority against license was very large. Nearly eight thousand votes were polled on the question. The Bradford *Argus* publishes nearly complete returns, which show a majority of 2250 against granting licenses. In the town of Towanda the vote was very close, 318 votes having been cast against and 290 votes for license. In most of the rural districts the majorities against license were very heavy. This vote in Bradford county, with the result in Clearfield, indicates with sufficient clearness the fate of liquor license in all the northern portion of the state.—*Patriot.*

—The Catholic Directory for 1873 contains interesting statistics in reference to the Roman Catholics in Great Britain. In the peerage, there are thirty-four Roman Catholics, of whom twenty-four are in the House of Lords. In the House of Commons there are thirty-seven Catholics members. Forty-nine baronets are Catholics. In Great Britain, the Hierarchy comprises one archbishop and sixteen suffragan bishops in England and Wales; one archbishop and two bishops of vicars apostolic in Scotland, where the dioceses are still called districts. In Ireland there are one cardinal archbishop three archbishops, twenty-five bishops and one abbot.

—A singular story is told by a Millbridge, Mass., physician, of Rufus Mitchell, aged thirty, who recently bled to death from a slight cut. He was one of those unfortunate men who bleed from the slightest scratch of the skin, and many times he has lain and bled till it seemed that all the blood had run out, and then he would gradually recover. This time the cut was quite large and he lived but a few hours. There is something remarkable about this family, who are here termed as belonging to the bleeding family. None but the males bleed and they are the sons of the females of the same family.

FOR the week ending January 11, the shipments of lumber from Lock Haven reached 144,000 feet.

News and Political Items.

—A colored gentleman in Georgia has run away from his wife because she threatened him with a thirty-fourth baby.

—Mathias and Eva M. Zahn, of Lancaster, Pa., last week celebrated the sixty-first anniversary of their marriage. The husband is 81 and the wife 80 years old.

—In Germany, when the vote of the jury stands six against six, the prisoner is acquitted. A vote of seven against five leaves the decision to the court, and in a vote of eight against four the prisoner is convicted.

—The Postmaster General has decided that families, firms or companies cannot combine to rent post-office boxes conjointly, but that one box rent must be collected for each firm, family or company enjoying such facilities.

—Major Zeb Crummut in his lecture, "New Fangled Notions," says—"It requires more brains to run a popular local newspaper than is usually carried into the White House under the hat of the President of the United States."

—A movement is now on foot at Harrisburg to divide Tioga county. In 1804 this county contained three hundred inhabitants. It now has thirty-five thousand. The friends of the division claim they are in a majority in the county, and will press the project on that basis.

—Auditor General Allen made a number of changes in his department some time ago, and last week appointed the first colored man that has ever held a clerkship under the State Government. The appointee is Professor Howard Day, editor of the *Progress and Liberty*, the organ of the colored men of this State.

—Saturday John R. Johnson, a Swede, was sentenced to be hung at New Haven, Conn., on April 10, 1873, for the murder of Johanna Hess, of Meriden. The State law does not permit the sentence of death to be executed under a year. This is the first death sentence that has been pronounced in New Haven for twenty-two years.

—The small-pox epidemic has reached such height in Baltimore as to have alarmed the authorities and the inhabitants generally. There were 110 deaths for the week ending January 20, and there are at the present time 1,300 cases. Boston has also suffered terribly; but the diseases there is reported as having passed the crisis.

—A young man named Bear, of Tuscarora township, Mifflin county, attempted to cross Tuscarora creek, Friday week, with a sled and two horses, but broke through the ice and both he and the horses were drowned. Nothing was known of the circumstance until Saturday morning, when the bodies of the man and the horses were found among the floating ice.

—At Leamington, England, recently, the death of an infant was found to have been caused by the presence in the stomach of a compact and hard ball of cheesy matter nearly the size of a man's fist. Two medical men gave it as their opinion that the ball had been accumulating for some time, and was caused by the milk having become changed to cheese in the stomach.

—An old gentleman in Alamance county, North Carolina, knows something about the blessings of a home and family. He has had four wives, eight daughters and one son, seventy-three grandchildren, four hundred great-grandchildren, fifty great-great-grandchildren, fifteen great-great-great-grandchildren, and nine great-great-great-great-grandchildren. He thinks of marrying again.

—A horse was killed in a singular manner at Lexington Ky., recently. He was pulling the cart, which contained a load of coal, while the driver, having tied the lines to the wood-work of the cart, was walking by its side. The horse slipped, and a trace broke at the time he fell forward. The lines being fastened securely, drew his head under his body, and he fell upon it, breaking his neck and dying almost instantly.

—We learn that Hon. Samuel J. Randall will offer a resolution calling upon the President for information concerning the pardon of the Philadelphia repeater, Brown. This is right; decent men want to know who the "prominent citizens" are who petitioned for the release of this ballot-box pollutor. Was their names forged to the papers, and is this the reason the President and Attorney-General refuse to give them to the public? Let us have light.

—While the Northfleet, an emigrant ship bound from London to Hobart Town, was lying at anchor two miles off Dungeness, on Thursday midnight, she was run into by an unknown steamship and cut down to the water's edge. The panic which ensued was so dreadful that the captain had to use his pistol on the most disorderly, and the vessel sank so rapidly that out of 342 souls on board only ninety-seven are reported saved, the captain being among the lost.

—The shot with which Laura Fair killed Crittenden, almost as suddenly turned white the hair of a daughter of the deceased, it is said. The young lady, who is but twenty years old, is described as beautiful and intelligent, but overcast with a cloud of melancholy that will embitter all her future life. Being asked, recently, how her hair came so white, and she so young, answered, "Sorrow," in a voice trembling with emotion, and immediately rose and left the room.

—Iowans are very jubilant over the prospect of that benighted radical portion of Uncle Sam's vineyard being transformed into a little China, where tea shall bloom and flourish. 'Tis said that the plant has been so successfully cultivated that in Crawford county 700 pounds have been raised on one acre. Tennessee, says the *Tribune*, has an excellent soil on which to grow tea. Both these sections of our country, in soil and climate, can be profitably cultivated for tea.

—Archbishop Bailey's idea of stopping the progress of intemperance is conveyed in the following remarks made by him recently: "A real inspection of liquors would destroy two-thirds of intemperance. Any real good government should enforce such an inspection or stop the sale altogether; because the object of the government is to protect the lives of citizens, and while it enforces stringent laws against the sale of decayed vegetables, it is far more important that it should hinder the sale of drinks which poison the blood and madden the brain."

—The gossips at Florence, Mass., produced a regular scare in that quiet little village recently. A man whose wife was absent happened to leave for a neighboring town on business the same day that a girl set out to work in a Connecticut village. People who understood how to put "two and two together," could see at once that this was an ingeniously planned elopement. The excitement was intense, and the country was scoured in all directions until the girl was found quietly at work, and the man discovered several miles in the opposite direction, soberly attending to his business.

—The latest accounts of the effect of the great Minnesota storm prove that the first reports were not exaggerated. It is now estimated that at least three hundred persons perished on "that fatal Tuesday" and the day following. A number of harrowing and mournfully touching incidents have already been related in connection with it, but none more calculated to awe the imagination than the latest; in a snowdrift near Lamars was found a stage containing eight passengers all dead, the driver dead on his seat, the two horses dead in their traces. The storm had cut them all down as the breath of the Lord cut down the hosts of Sennacherib.

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How Martino Got his Licenses.

A FUNNY BUT TRUE STORY.

Martino, the famous California Illusionist and Ventriloquist, has lately been down among the Hoosiers in Indiana; and so funny an incident occurred in one small town where he was to exhibit that the witnesses will not forget it to their dying day.

The chairman of the "Village Trustees," or, as he was more generally pleased to style himself, the "Mayor of the place," sent word to Martino about two hours before the time for the doors to open, that he "needn't unpack his traps in that 'ere town, for he couldn't have no license nohow!"

As may well be imagined, this terribly ferocious and ungrammatical message created quite a stir at the hotel, only surpassed by that at a horse-race or a dog-fight. The officer who deliverd the message was asked the reason for the Mayor's sudden and unjust decision. His reply was, "there ain't no use in asking old Briars for reasons.—When he says NO! there ain't no power on this yearth what kin fetch him!"

"Is there any powers in the *spirit* world that can do it?" smilingly enquired Martino.

"Well, thar, hoss," confidently exclaimed the half inebriated constable, "you can jest bet your bottom dollar on that persition, *and double your money every time.* You see his second wife died about two months ago, and some darned old fool has made him believe that her first husband, who was an Irishman, is keeping her in purgatory out o' pure cussedness."

"I'll fix up his spiritual affairs for him in a few minutes," exclaimed Martino—starting for the Mayor's grocery with a merry twinkle in his eyes denoting success of mischief.

He was followed by as motley a crowd as was ever about a circus wagon, and many of the men, while regretting that the show was not allowed to open, still declared that 'twas useless to try to induce old Briars to change an opinion once given.

Martino courteously listened to all that was said, and believing only a small portion, urged himself forward and entered the grocery just as the village dignitary was trying to blow into flame a smouldering smudge, in the corner of a large and old fashioned fire-place.

Just as the old fellow was in the act of rising from his hands and knees, and assuming an upright position, there came down from the wreaths of black curling smoke in the old chimney, a wailing, feminine voice exclaiming:

"Oh! Dan'l! Dan'l! For the love of heaven, and the love you once pledged to me, fail not to see the California magician and have him perform an incantation on the ruling spirit of the '*Ninth Sphere*,' or I perish in purgatory."

Old Briars trembled as if dying with the ague, and scrambling to his feet he inquired between his chattering teeth;

"Is—z—z—z—z—z—z that you, Molly?"

"Alas, it is too true!" faintly replied the piteous voice in the black chimney.

"Hire Martino to invoke the aid of the genii goddess that governs his *Magic Flowers*, and he can prevent the fiendish persecutions which I am daily, almost hourly, receiving from wicked Mike."

"It's a dommed lie!" growled in hearse Irish accents, a voice half-suffocated with the dense smoke. "It's a doomed lie! I niver put her in purgatory at all, at all.—She got there by her own cussed temper, and if I was in your place, I'd let her rot there till the devil has burned off her last toe nail."

"Oh, my God! my God! what shall I do?" groaned old Briars, trembling till his boot heels rattled on the old hearthstone like sticks on a drum head.

"Pity! O, have pity!" exclaimed the troubled spirit in a voice that fairly wept with pathos and tenderness.

The crowd stood awe-stricken with mingled emotions of wonder, sorrow, astonishment and reverence. They had all heard the secret and thrilling dialogue—each felt himself almost in the presence of Death himself, and many were moved to sympathetic tears at seeing the old man broken down by fear and heart-gushing sorrow.

To remove the deep embarrassment which had now become really oppressive, Mr. Martino politely stepped forward, and introducing himself in the fewest words possible, expressed great pleasure on having entered the room at a moment so very opportune, and inquired if his professional services would be required.

Staring at the magician with bloated face and swollen eyes, the Mayor inquired, "Are you in league with any ruling power in the world?"

"Oh, Dan'l! Dan'l!" pleaded the suffering voice in the chimney, "don't insult the magic prince with selfish questions, but give him at once a hundred dollars, and have my soul released from purgatorial sufferings."

In the agony of despair the old fellow opened his pocket-book and commenced counting out a pile of dirty greenbacks, when Martino exclaimed—

"Never mind about the hundred dollars, my good sir; make me out a license for this evening's entertainment and I will render you all the aid in my power for nothing."

The old fellow grabbed a pen and hastily wrote "This is to surtifi Mr. Martino shall have the town hall and lisens this evening without cost, as 'tis paid for."

Placing the document in his pocket, Martino stepped to the old fire-place and throwing upon the embers some powder from a gold snuff-box, the room instantly became filled with a smoky vapor having all the bright hues of the rainbow. Suddenly there came a harsh crashing of voices in the chimney—followed by a choir of children's voices singing—

"Cherry berry be, cherry berry bo,
Away the evil spirits go!
Away they go! away they go!
Away the evil spirits go!"

Then after a moment's silence, the freed spirit seemed to come down into the room and pass out at the doorway, sweetly singing, fainter and fainter, as it passedaway toward the setting sun—

"Cherry berry be, cherry berry bo,
At last in bliss away I go!
I go, I go, I go, I go,
At peace with all the world I go!"

The awe-stricken crowd were as much bewildered and impressed with the awful calamity of the scene as was old Briars himself, and the oft repeated tale from so many gossiping tongues so aroused the already excited public, that the old hall on that evening was crowded by the largest audience ever assembled in the town.

In a prominent seat at the serene and delighted Mayor. Nothing escaped his attention or applause. He seemed to be so overjoyed at the release and happiness of the spirit of his second wife that his mind was entirely above and beyond the effect of any earthly discord.

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COOKING STOVES,

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TIN, COPPER & SHEET-IRON WARE

Having recently taken possession of the newly fitted up and commodious building on High street, two doors east of the Bank and nearly opposite the Mountain House, the subscriber is better prepared than ever before to manufacture all articles in the TIN, COPPER and SHEET-IRON WARE line, all of which will be furnished to buyers at the very lowest living prices.

The subscriber also proposes to keep a full and varied assortment of

Cooking, Parlor and Heating Stoves

of the most approved designs.

☞ SPOUTING and ROOFING made to order and warranted perfect in manufacture and material. REPAIRING promptly attended to.

All work done by me will be done right and on fair terms, and all STOVES sold by me cannot be undersold in price. A continuance and increase of patronage is respectfully solicited, and no effort will be wanting to render entire satisfaction to all.

VALLIE LUTRINGER.

Ebensburg, Oct. 13, 1870.-tf.

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GRAIN DRILL,

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GEO. M. READE, *Attorney-at-Law,* Ebensburg, Pa. Office in new building recently erected on Centre street, two doors from High street. [aug.27.]

A SCHOOL-BOY GHOST.

A NEWBURYPORT SCHOOL-HOUSE HAUNTED BY THE SPECTRE OF A CHILD.

[Correspondence of THE WORLD.]

NEWBURYPORT, January 19.—It may be true that "every house has its ghost," but I doubt if every town has its ghost. Certainly not such spectre as one who is by tradition and common report not only youthful, almost infantile, but decidedly bold and powerful beyond its age. Unlike the ghost of the storied past, this audacious spirit comes not in the night, but persists in making himself manifest in the light of glaring day. We first heard of him something over twelve months ago, when the quiet and order of our public school was sadly interrupted by a rattling and knocking noise in the low, dark garret over the school-room. One of the larger boys was sent up to investigate, but could discover nothing unusual, and the disturbance was accredited to rats. These noises were heard from day to day, sometimes in the forenoon,